

Behemoth and Leviathan.



THE ELEPHANT.

The concluding chapters of the Book of Job are so much occupied with the description of an allusion to some of the noblest of the Lord's works in animated nature, that our attention is enforced to some of the more prominent and remarkable subjects; and our younger readers in particular would probably be little satisfied if we forbore to tell them something of the unicorn, of behemoth, and of the le-

viathan. Of the unicorn and of the war-horse, we have already spoken; and now the others will demand our notice.

It is well known that the identity of both the behemoth and the leviathan is open to question, and has been largely discussed.

As to the behemoth, it is generally admitted that the animal must be sought in that class of large animals



HIPPOPOTAMUS.

which Cuvier arranged in one class, or mammoth, and others. For called *pachydermata*, by reason of the thickness of their skins, to which belong equally the elephant, the river-horse, and some extinct species of enormous animals, such as the masto-

dom, or mammoth, and others. For the particular animal in this class, opinions are pretty equally divided between the hippopotamus and the elephant, or with something of a preponderance in favor of the former. Per-